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MEMORANDUM FOR: [] Historical Officer,
Office of Security

FROM : Support Services Historical Officer
(SSHO)

SUBJECT : Review of Chapter II, Physical Security

1. Although I have suggested numerous editions on the enclosed copy of the subject chapter, most of the revisions present no serious substantive problems. The chapter in toto, however, is another matter. It is far too long; it presents too much marginal detail; and, most important of all, it gives, at best, a blurred impression of the developments of physical security in the post war period. Far too much of the chapter is involved with the broad problems of security development, Agency organization, and security philosophy--subjects which more properly are the concern of the overall history of the Office of Security.

2. My detailed editions end on pp. 119-120. From this point through the end of the chapter, the paper is repeating, or closely identifiable with, material which is contained in pp. 40-75.

3. I think that what should be said about physical security in this developmental period could be given in roughly half the space of the present chapter. Simply rewriting the pages noted in the preceding paragraph (pp. 40-75 and 119-155) would be a major step in such a contraction.

4. If you and [] would like to discuss my suggestions, please feel free to call me.

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